

THE PLANS ADOPTED.

Building Committee Pleased with Mr. Read's Drawings for Waits Hall.

BEGIN WORK WITHOUT DELAY.

As soon as the approval of the Trustees is secured bids will be asked for buildings to be completed by the Fall of 1897.

The Building Committee, to whom has been entrusted the responsible task of having prepared the plans for the new buildings to be erected in our suburbs for the Union Theological Seminary, and for superintending the erection of the proposed home for this great institution, met last evening and adopted plans, specifications, and working drawings of the main building, to be called Waits Hall. The committee had already adopted the plans and perspective drawings of all of the other buildings now to be erected.

The working drawings and specifications of the remaining buildings are rapidly approaching completion. The work done on the plans for the main building is very elaborate, covering many sheets of drawings, and about fifty pages of specifications. Every detail of construction is covered, and when carried out the result will be a building which will be an ornament to our city.

WHAT IT WILL CONTAIN.

There will be in this central structure five lecture-rooms, a board-room, a secretary's room, connected with which will be a fireproof vault. In the second, third, and fourth stories there will be dormitory apartments for students, provided with bath-rooms and other conveniences. The building will be heated by steam from boilers that will be located in the tower will be a reservoir for water, with a capacity for 10,000 gallons. At several points in the buildings there will be fire-plugs, each provided with 100 feet of hose. The lecture-rooms will have a capacity for 100 students each. The board-room, and blackboards of slate will be built into the walls. Cloak-rooms and closets will be conveniently placed. The external appearance of the building will be very imposing. The tower will be a commanding feature of the entire group and of the whole neighborhood.

TO PROCEED WITHOUT DELAY.

Mr. Read will go to Hampden-Sidney next week to lay the plans before the board of trustees for their approval, and so return it is intended to put the main building under bidders for the construction of building.

STREET COMMITTEE MEETING.

A Busy Session Last Evening—Car-Fenders—The Fairmount Line.

The Street Committee held its semi-monthly meeting last evening, and a good deal of business was disposed of. Mr. Craigie, of the Richmond and Manchester Street Railway Company, was present. In response to a letter, requesting him to suggest the most suitable fender to be used on the cars, Mr. Craigie brought several cuts of fenders now in use, but it was decided that it would be inexpedient to make any selection from them, and the sub-committee, which has the matter in charge, was directed to meet at Twenty-ninth and P streets next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when the different fenders will be exhibited and the committee will be better able to choose.

The sub-committee on Fairmount Traction Company recommended that the company be allowed to run a single track from Twenty-third and Marshall streets to the northern limit of the city, subject to an ordinance to be prepared by the City Attorney. The matter was discussed at some length, by the City Engineer and several members, especially with regard to the necessary bonds. The ordinance was passed, and the amount of the bond was \$5,000, which was approved by the committee and adopted, and the amount of the bond was fixed at \$5,000.

On motion of Mr. Diacon the committee decided to recommend to the Council the construction of a sewer on M street between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, and to be done at the expense of the owner of the property involved, the money to be refunded when the funds are available.

TIME TO WEAR THEM OUT.

One Woman Given Thirty Days for Stealing Another's Shoes.

Blanche Booker, a colored girl, was in the Police Court yesterday morning to answer the charge of stealing a pair of shoes from Lizzie Allen, a colored companion. The testimony was all convincing, and, though Blanche stoutly denied the charge, proclaiming the words "Not guilty" in emphatic tones when questioned as to the subject, she was sent to jail for thirty days for petty larceny.

The case of Willie McDaniel, the negro who was caught in the bakery of I. D. Briggs on Broad street Monday night was sent on to the grand jury.

Anna Ann Taylor's grandmother returned yesterday morning with the clothes which were alleged to have been stolen from Elizabeth Hawkins by her granddaughter. The case was before the Justice Monday, and she was allowed to remain in jail until the clothes, which she claimed not to have misappropriated, were returned to the owner. The Justice saw the clothes yesterday in the possession of the proper party and so discharged the woman.

The cases of C. N. Goodwin, charged with attempting to cut B. P. Lloyd, and the latter, charged with assaulting and abusing the former, were called again. The case against Goodwin was dismissed, while Lloyd was fined \$5.

The cases of Charles E. Meyers, Charles Elleg, and John Shelton, all active participants in the row which occurred at Bump's brewery some time ago, were called yesterday, but continued until May 12.

Anderson Taylor was required to give \$10 security for thirty days for being disorderly and using indecent language upon the premises of C. W. Allen.

Trying the Michie Suit.

The trial of the suit of J. K. Michie vs. the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company was begun in the Law and Equity

Court yesterday. Captain Michie sues to recover \$25,000 damages. He was charged by a detective with collecting fares and making no record of them, as provided by duplex slips. He denies that he pocketed any of the company's money, and alleges his discharge has ruined his reputation. Mr. H. T. Wickham represents the company, and Mr. Meredith the plaintiff. The trial will probably consume several days.

In the Law and Equity Court, in the case of the Ingersoll-Sargent Drill Company vs. Virginia Pyrites Mining Company, judgment was rendered for \$25,000. Judgment was rendered in favor of Swindell Brothers vs. E. Gunst for \$14.

REV. MR. WILEY MUCH BETTER.

Slept Well Going Home and Seems on the Road to Recovery.

Mr. George E. Paynter, secretary of the Fire-Alarm Department, who accompanied Rev. George H. Wiley, the minister whose mind became almost unbalanced from overwork, to his home, near Lynchburg, said upon his return yesterday that he left the latter much improved in spirits, and thought he was on a fair road to rapid recovery.

Mr. Wiley, he said, slept nearly all the way during the trip, and when he arrived at Lynchburg seemed much refreshed. He seemed very glad to be again surrounded by his family, and Mr. Paynter said when he left the minister seemed quite cheerful.

Property Transfers.

Richmond: William M. Hill and wife to Margaret Hill, 18-1/2 feet on south side Spring street, near Laurel, \$400.

Stella to William S. Hill, 2-1/2 feet on same side, same street, \$400.

John and Charles E. Smith to Hugh Hagan, same deed returned from Henrico County Court to-day.

Henrico: Watson Cunningham and wife to Matthias and Ruth Winkler, 3-1/2 acres in White Oak Swamp tract, \$1,000.

J. M. Fourqurean and wife to W. E. Tanner, Jr., lots 18, 19, and 20, in block 4, North-avenue subdivision, \$800.

W. T. Hood and wife and others to Union Grove Avenue Seminary of Virginia trustees, 100 feet on west side Brook turnpike, \$8.

George O. Jones's trustee to J. T. Betts, lot 18, Capitol View, \$100.

C. Lorraine and wife to Nora Street, 20 feet on Grove avenue southeast corner Robinson street, \$2,450.

Stella R. and Charles E. Smith to Hugh Hagan, half interest in 65 feet on Clay street northeast corner Ninth, and one third interest in 20 acres near New River, subject to deed of trust of \$4,000, and interest, in exchange for other property.

A. T. Stewart and wife to Walter Stewart, 11-1/2 acres on New Market road, \$1,100.

Henry S. Wallerstein and wife to Mary E. Fore, 20-1/2 feet on east side Twenty-first street near T, \$25.

A Monument to Captain Babcock.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Masonic Home of Virginia is taking steps to raise a fund for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of the late Captain A. G. Babcock, who is buried in Hollywood. The society have already made a contribution for this purpose from their own treasury, and would be glad to receive contributions from all who feel interested in the success of their laudable undertaking. The treasurer of the fund is Mrs. Joseph M. Rosenbaum, who resides at No. 717 West Grace street. The residue of the estate of Captain Babcock, after the payment of the many charitable and other bequests contained in his will, are to be devoted entirely to charity.

Want the Offices Here.

The question of having the general offices of the Southern railway brought back to Richmond is being agitated. The charter of the organizing road requires the general offices to be in Richmond, and it is contended that the only office here in which any force is employed is that of Mr. J. H. Drake, the general freight agent in Washington.

The Supreme Court of Appeals will deliver opinions to-day, and adjourn for the term.

Ladies' Suits and Waists

READY TO WEAR.

Our Suits and Waists will suit ladies who appreciate a stylish, well-made garment at an exceedingly modern price. We invite leisurely examination and deliberate choosing.

It's no particular novelty to have suits offered to you at \$10, \$12, and \$15, but it is unusual of Tailor-Made Suits at these prices. There is all the careful, conscientious tailoring as the high-price tailor gives the work.

The fit is as perfect; the style as excellent; the textures as desirable and new, and it would take a mighty expert judge to say the suit was not specially made to order for the wearer.

We are also showing a large variety of Grass Linen and Crash Suits, made in Blazer, Reefer, and Norfolk cut, just such as you'll want for these warm days not far distant. The prices range from \$3.75 to \$9.50.

SHIRT-WAISTS.

Our Special Sale of Waists will continue during the entire week. The variety of Waists was never so large—values never so great. 50 and 60c. buys such Waists as are usually sold at 62c.

The 95c. Waists are equal to those shown usually at \$1.25. They're made right; they fit right.

At \$1 we show a beautiful Persian Detachable Collar Waist that was made to sell at \$1.50.

The finer, dainty Waists at \$1.38, \$1.62, up to \$4.50, must be seen to be appreciated.

CHILDREN'S REEFERS.

The past week has shown any number of cool evenings, but warm days coming in between make a change in price necessary to reduce our large stock of Children's Reefers.

A change of price for tomorrow and during the week to reduce the stock. All sizes, from 2 to 12 years—prices from 75c. to \$7.50.

KAUFMANN & CO.,

corner Fourth and Broad streets.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U.S. Gov't Report

Wash. Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

NAMING DELEGATES

TO THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION AT STAUNTON.

County Meetings—Westmoreland, Fluvanna, Montgomery, and Halifax Heard From—The Last Against the Unit Rule.

WARSAW, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—A largely-attended mass-meeting of the Democrats of Westmoreland was held at Montross yesterday, and the following delegates were chosen for the State convention to be held at Staunton: W. W. Walker, D. D. Cook, A. Fiemmer, A. W. Hutt, Jr., H. A. Sanford, J. W. C. Davis, W. H. Tyler.

The following resolutions were then offered by Colonel R. J. Washington, and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Democrats of Westmoreland county, in mass-meeting assembled, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Staunton convention, which meets on June 4, 1896, have unanimously decided that the sense of this meeting should be expressed on the financial questions now agitating this country; and

Whereas, as it is the sense of this meeting that the Congress of the United States should pass a law for free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of other nations; therefore be it

Resolved, That the delegates this day elected to attend the Staunton convention are instructed to cast their votes for such delegates for the national convention at Chicago as will support such candidates for the presidency and vice-presidency as will represent the views of the free-silver Democrats of this country.

AGAINST UNIT RULE.

The Halifax County Democrats also Declare.

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—The County Democratic Convention which met at Houston yesterday, elected the following delegates to the State convention at Staunton: Hon. Paul C. Edmunds, W. I. Jordan, Thomas B. Clark, C. E. Moorefield, J. D. Hankins, R. L. DeJarnette, and Captains Henry Edmunds and A. J. Smith, and Messrs. William Leigh, W. P. Barksdale, W. D. Hankins, W. D. Hill, R. W. Lawson, W. L. Winkler, R. L. Bruce, S. H. Brooks, Thomas B. Bruce, C. M. Jordan, R. A. Bennett, Joseph W. Carlton, John Oliver, A. Wilkins, A. V. Womack, H. C. Hudson, J. J. Sparrow, and J. M. Carrington.

Resolutions were adopted favoring free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, independent of the action of any other nation, and instructing the delegates to vote for free-silver delegates to the national convention.

A resolution favoring the adoption of the unit rule at Staunton was defeated by a vote of 33 to 8.

FLUVANNA.

Free-Silver Resolutions and the Delegates Instructed.

PALMYRA, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—The Democrats of the county met here yesterday, and organized by electing W. T. Brett, Esq., chairman, and Captain William H. Tally, secretary. A preamble and resolutions, offered by Colonel W. B. Pettit, declaring for free and unit coinage of silver at 16 to 1, and independently, by the United States, and instructing our delegates to the Staunton convention to vote for a solid silver delegation to Chicago, were unanimously adopted. Nine delegates were elected to the State convention, as follows: Colonel W. B. Pettit, delegate-at-large; First District, Palmyra, Hon. Pembroke Pettit and R. S. White; Second District, Columbia, Major J. S. Bowles and Dr. R. C. Bowles; Third District, Norfolk, J. W. H. Holman and C. E. Jones; Fourth District, Cunningham, J. Haden Martin and A. J. Taylor.

CHRISTIANSBURG, VA., April 23.—

(Special.)—The County Democratic mass-meeting assembled here yesterday, with W. H. Colburn, chairman, and William M. Ellis, secretary. The delegates were elected to the Staunton convention, with instructions to vote for delegates to Chicago who favor free coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

Resolutions endorsing Hon. John W. Daniel's and Hon. P. J. Otey's course on the financial question were unanimously passed. The resolutions favor a free-silver candidate for President.

THE HANOVER TRAGEDY.

The Evidence on Which Young West Was Arrested.

HANOVER COURTHOUSE, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—Ben West, the young white man who was jailed here last night, charged with the murder of N. B. Mills, near Ground Squirrel Bridge, on last Wednesday, is of very youthful appearance, not seeming to be over 18 or 20 years old.

J. L. Profit, the principal witness for the Commonwealth, testified at the preliminary trial that he met Ben West near Ground Squirrel Bridge, and upon proceeding about half a mile farther, found the deceased in an expired condition. Other witnesses testified that West had been about half a mile from the place where Mills was found, walking behind the wagon upon which Mills was driver.

A GRAVE DOUBT.

At the inquest the coroner's jury was unable to decide whether Mills was murdered or whether he was killed by one of the mules while fastening a trace, and, falling, had his head crushed by the wheel. This latter theory is looked upon by many as very probable.

An effort was made to have the accused Ben West, William S. Harton, called before the Circuit Court of this county, which is at present in session. Mr. W. D. Cardwell appeared as counsel for the accused, and Mr. George W. King, of the Commonwealth, appeared, however, to a recent act of the Legislature, bail was refused.

APPROACHING MARRIAGE.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. T. W. Swift and Miss Bettie Due Gregory, on Wednesday, May 6th, at St. Paul's church, this place. Mr. Swift is the only son of the late Mrs. Julia P. Wingfield. Miss Gregory belongs to the old Gregory family, of Pimpinville. King William county, and is a niece of Mrs. S. A. Winston, of Hanover.

A SHOOTER SHOT.

A Would-Be Robber's Warm Reception by a Depot Agent.

BRISTOL, TENN., April 23.—(Special.)—At a late hour last night William Wolf, depot agent at Piney Flats, suddenly found himself confronted by a masked man, who, with a revolver in hand, ordered him to hold up his hands. Wolf did not obey, whereupon the intruder fired, grazing his shoulder with a bullet. Wolf seized a revolver, and in turn sent a bullet through the intruder's neck, wounding him fatally. The intruder proved to be John Crouch, a son of a prominent citizen of Johnson City, Tenn. He was only recently released from the penitentiary, where he served a term for breaking into a bank at Johnson City.

WELDON.

An Amusing Entertainment—Death—Political Notes.

WELDON, N. C., April 23.—(Special.)—“The Old Maids’ Convention,” a farce extravaganza, was given at Emory’s Hall here last night by the ladies of Halifax, and was a most amusing entertainment. The officers and members of the convention were as follows: President, Angelina Electrofina Hypocrita Clark, Miss Travis; Vice-President, Elvira Siddie-McFadden, Miss Prescott; Secretary, July Polly Phipps, Miss Gregory; Jemima Jump, Miss Sater; Samantha Whooop-Em-Up, Mrs. Calhoun; Gairy Ann Sofy Juy Nubby Cnderelly Annabella Green, Miss Elizabeth Gregory; Edith May Pimpie Pimpie Rossy Lissy Brown, Miss McNamara; Hannah Susanna Sugarham, Miss McMahon; Blinda Bluegrass, Miss Fannie Sater; Tryphenia Tryposia Fling, Miss Hill; Sallie Skeeters, Miss Cooper; Thida Smoots, Miss Susie Hill; Marian Frances Rosa, Beautspot Temptation Touch-me-Not, Miss Helen Daniel; Celestia Paulina Coralina Louisa Mifkins, Miss Nelson.

The experiences of the old maids in their efforts to capture a husband were satirized. Just before the convention adjourned the rejuvenating-machine was introduced, and the old maids who went through the process were one by one turned out little girls. This was splendidly carried out.

OTHER FEATURES.

Other features of the entertainment were the Peak Song, from Alaska, in their song of “Do You Know the Muffin Man?” The audience was one of the largest ever seen in the hall. The entertainment was for the benefit of the Episcopal church, and the receipts were most satisfactory.

DEATH.

Mr. S. G. Wright died of congestion of the lungs at one of the State farms yesterday. His remains were taken to his former home, in Nash county, for interment.

Cheatham and Hannon, candidates, respectively, for the congressional nomination, are making speeches in this county. Each is accusing the other of being responsible for Republican losses in this county during the previous elections. White appears to be in the lead, however, for the nomination, and in the primary here he captured the delegates. This has been a Cheatham stronghold heretofore. The county convention meets Thursday to send delegates to the congressional convention here in May.

CUMMOK COAL COMPANY FAILS.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 23.—The Cummock Coal Company, formerly the Landon-Henney Company, at Cummock, Chatham county, has gone into a receiver's hands. Judge Seymour, of the United States District Court, has appointed Samuel Z. Henzey receiver. The company has been embarrassed ever since the explosion last December, in which forty persons were killed.

Nentzell Paper-Mill Burned.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 23.—The Nentzell paper-mill plant, comprising a group of four buildings, near Elliott City, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, \$40,000; insurance, \$10,000.

It Takes the Palm!

Our stock is fairly shining with all the many virtues that skill and care and patience could put into them. The labor of many, many thousands, and perhaps hundreds of thousands of the world's best makers has been devoted to making this season's display of seasonable goods the grandest and best that mortal eye has ever seen.

The favorite dress this spring is Mohair.

Black Mohair Brilliantine at 25c., 30c., 35c., 40c., 45c., and 50c.

Heavy Sicilian Mohair, 46 inches wide, the prettiest weave used, \$1 a yard.

Colored Figured Mohair, very lustrous, 50c. a yard.

Colored Serge, Henriettes, Solets, Figured Woolens, Figured Cravettes, Cloth, etc.

A dollar value in Black Crepon for 60c.

SILKS.

27-inch White and Black Habutai or Japanese Silk at 25c. a yard.

27-inch Black Waterproof Japanese Silk, 50c. value, for 30c. a yard.

Fancy Taffeta Silks, for Shirt-Waists, 75c. and 80c.

22-inch Black Brocade Satin Duchess, at \$1.50 quality, for \$1 a yard.

Colored Silks, Figured, and Checked Wash Silks, for Ladies' Shirt-Waists, 25c., 30c., 35c., and 40c.

Black Batiste at 50c. and 55c. a yard.

Black India Linen at 12-1/2c., 15c., 20c., and 25c.

Black French Organdie, 35c. a yard.

Colored Dress Goods.

Mouharette and Woolenette, 12-1/2c. a yard.

Woolen Fancies at 25c., 35c., 45c., and 50c.

Handsome Plaids at 25c., 45c., 50c., and 75c. a yard.

Navy-Blue Serge, 50 inches wide, 35c. a yard.

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Cheviot Mixtures, 50 inches wide, for travelling dresses, 55c. a yard, worth \$1.25.

Vellings.

Courtault's Crepe, for veiling or trimming, 75c., \$1, and \$1.25 a yard.

Priestley's All-Wool Nun's Vellings, 75c. and 80c.

Priestley's Silk-Warp Nun's Vellings, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Fans.

Elegant Silk and Gause Empire White Fans, a pretty assortment, new designs.

Japanese Folding Fans from 30c. up.

Belts.

Your choice of any Gilt Belt, 50c.

In the lot are Belts worth from 50c. to 85c.

Boys' Suits.

A great saving if you buy here.

Washable Suits, 75c., 85c., and up.

Blouse Flannel Suits, \$1 and up.

E. A. EZEKIEL,

313 east Broad street.

THE COCKADE CITY.

CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTING TO MURDER HIS WIFE.

Not Yet Captured—A Young Man Disappears From Home—Personal and General Notes—Prospects for a Very Fine Fruit Crop.

PETERSBURG, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—A warrant was issued to-day for the arrest of a negro named Henry Jones, on the charge of attempting to murder his wife, at his home on Gill street. It is charged that after beating the woman, and while she was attempting to escape from him, he fired three shots from a pistol at her, but fortunately all of the balls failed of their mark. Jones is a brother of Matthew Jones, lately convicted of the murder of his wife and sentenced to be hanged on the 21st of July. The latter shot his wife to death with a gun in his own house. The alleged cause in each instance was jealousy. Henry has not yet been arrested.

THE THORP-MCKENNEY CONTEST.

It is reported that the cause of the delay in the submission of the report of the Elections Committee in the contest case of Thorp vs. McKenney to the House of Representatives is the fact of a disagreement in committee as to the wording of the report. The Democratic members object to the strong wording as not being justified by the record, while on the contrary General James A. Walker, who is chairman of the committee, is of opinion that the evidence taken in the case does justify the wording of the report.

DISAPPEARED FROM HOME.

“Tuck” White, a young white man, left his home on Home street several days ago and has not been seen since, except in Ettrick at a late hour on Sunday evening. His family have become very uneasy by reason of his prolonged absence.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Bishop Randolph, of this Episcopal diocese, will visit the churches in this city on Sunday next, and will administer confirmation.

Colonel H. T. Rokey, of Bluefield, W. Va., who is visiting our city, is not accompanied by his wife and other ladies, as was erroneously reported in this correspondence yesterday. The Colonel is a gentleman of the highest appearance and courteous bearing, and is visiting our battle-fields in company with a gentleman friend.

Colonel James D. Brady, who has been visiting his family in this city for some days, left for Washington this morning. The Colonel's visit doubtless has considerable political significance, especially in view of the fact that Judge Waddill, of Richmond, and other prominent Republicans embraced the opportunity to see him on his way to Washington while he was here.

The indications throughout this section are that we shall have a magnificent crop of fruit and an abundant yield of all the products of the earth this year. Unless there is an unusual freeze or cold spell later on, these indications will be realized.

Alexander Washington, a colored brakeman on the Atlantic-Coast Line railroad, was killed by a freight-car on Washington street this morning, had one of his limbs badly hurt. He ran to the nearest doctor, had his wound dressed, and returned to his train in time to go out with it.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

Arrested on a Warrant from Baltimore—Burglars at Work.

LYNCHBURG, VA., April 23.—(Special.)—John M. Lane was arrested here to-day, charged with forgery. The arrest was made on a warrant sent here from Baltimore, sworn out by Davis A. Andrew, and charges Lane with forging a check on the American National Bank, of that city. To-night he wrote a letter to his wife, who, he says, resides in Richmond. The letter was forwarded by the Chief of Police, and will be held until the Baltimore authorities arrive.

Cracksmen entered the business-office of the Standard Oil Company last night, broke open the safe, and got away with about \$55.

Mr. Portlock to Represent the University.</